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YESTERDAY THEY TURNED DOWN X X X 2ND GRAF

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ASHINGTON--FIRST ADD FIRST LEAD CONSIDERED ^{152400Z} ~~WET~~ NAM(1841WX)

X X X RUSK SAID.

AT THE OUTSET OF THE HARI ^{152400Z} ~~WET~~ SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRMAN JOHN STENNIS, D-MISSISSIPPI SAID IT WAS TRYING TO MEASURE OUR MILITARY POTENTIAL AGAINST THE GLOBAL DEFENSE TREATIES.

HE RECALLED THAT RUSK HAD TESTIFIED THAT THIS COUNTRY MIGHT GO TO THE AID OF A NATION WHICH LACKED A FORMAL TREATY IF IT WERE UNDER ATTACK.

STENNIS SUGGESTED THIS WAS AN OFFER TO TRY TO DEFEND THE WORLD. HE ADDED THAT THIS COUNTRY MUST USTER EVERYTHING "FOR ITS OWN SURVIVAL, ALLIANCE OR NO ALLIANCE."

RUSK REPEATED HIS EARLIER TESTIMONY THAT THE COUNTRY IS NOT TRYING TO ACT "AS POLICEMAN FOR THE WORLD."

BUT HE SAID IT WANTED TO ESTABLISH PEACE AND STABILITY THROUGHOUT THE WORLD AND CITED ITS EFFORTS IN AIDING IN THE CONGO CRISIS WHEN NO FORMAL DEFENSE PACT APPLIED.

NO U.S. 19.7-554990 2343 3,5 52343, RUSK SAID, BUT MILITARY AIRCRAFT WERE USED TO AID IN A PEACEFUL SOLUTION.

STENNIS REPLIED THAT SOME LEADERS HAD WANTED TO SEND U.S. COMBAT FORCES TO THE CONGO BUT CONGRESS WAS CONSULTED AND THIS PART OF THE PLAN WAS ABANDONED.

HE SAID THIS WAS AN EXAMPLE OF WHY CONGRESS SHOULD BE CONSULTED ON ALL

SITUATIONS

WHICH MIGHT LEAD TO WAR. HE SAID THE NATION IS INVOLVED IN WAR IN VIET NAM WITHOUT A FORMAL DECLARATION.

AND HE NOTED THAT SENATORS HAD BEEN UNABLE TO GET EVEN A RUGH ESTIMATE OF MANPOWER OR FUNDS NEEDED TO CARRY ON THE VIET NAM WAR FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR WHICH BEGAN JULY 1.

RUSK SAID THAT THE ENEMY OF THE

SUCH SITUATIONS.

RUSK TODAY, ETC., 3RD GRAF 1800X AS BEFORE)

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